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"USE OF BROMELAIN PROTEASES FOR INHIBITING BLOOD

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Sir:

This Response is submitted in response to the Notification of Defective Response ("Notice") mailed on August 24, 2001. In the Notice, the Patent Office alleges that the response to the Notice of Missing Parts mailed on May 21, 2001 was not complete. More specifically, the Patent Office alleges that the Sequence Listing and related documents have not been filed in response to the Notice of Missing Parts.

During a telephone conference with the Patent Office on September 20, 2001 between Ms. Karen Williams of the Patent Office and Mr. Thomas C. Basso, on behalf of Applicants, the Patent Office acknowledged receipt of all documents relating to the filing of the Sequence Listing except for a disk copy regarding same. In response, Applicants respectfully reminded the Patent Office the Sequence Listing was sent via EFS on August 21, 2001 along with the other documents in addition to an EFS filing receipt from the Patent Office acknowledging same.

Based on these discussions, the Patent Office acknowledged receipt of same and informed Applicants that they have been responsive to the Notice of Missing Parts unless further notified. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that they have fully responded to the Notice of Missing Parts and are responsive to this Notice based on the discussions with the Patent Office as summarized above.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request an early and favorable examination of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Docket No. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL" (37 CFR 1.10) Applicant(s): Maurer et al. 112843-006 Serial No. Filing Date Examiner Group Art Unit 09/674,738 October 31, 2000 USE OF BROMELAIN PROTEASES FOR INHIBITING BLOOD COAGULATION Invention: I hereby certify that the following correspondence: Transmittal letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office in duplicate, Form PCT/DO/EO/916, Form PCT/DO/EO/920, Response to Notification of Defective Response, postcard (Identify type of correspondence) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 in an envelope addressed to: The Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on **September 24, 2001** (Date) ert Buccieri of Person Mailing Correspondence) Person Mailing Correspondence) (Signatui EL647240416US ("Express Mail" Mailing Label Number)

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